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SENATOR STAHLER: Mr. President, members of the body, strange as it may seem in a weak moment, I agreed to take a supremely noncontroversial bill and this bill actually strikes the language that was put in the statutes in 1967 allowing for an industrial park urban renewal redevelopment in South Omaha. The federal government balked at it. The language, it has been on the books and no one is using it. It isn't needed. To my knowledge, there is no opposition. The city asked me to put this in early to clean up the statutes and no one appeared at the hearing against it and I think it is just something that is cluttering up our books, it is my understanding. So, I just move for the advancement of LB 225 to Select File, E & R Initial.

SPEAKER: Are you ready for the question? The question is shall the bill be advanced. All those in favor vote aye. Those opposed vote no. The clerk will record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, 19 not voting.

SPEAKER: The bill is advanced. LB 338.

CLERK: Read title. LB 338. There are Committee amendments by Senator Chambers' Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee.

SPEAKER: Senator Chambers.

CLERK: The amendment was on Page 2, line 7 and 8, strike "not more than" and show as stricken.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, and members of the Legislature, Mr. Speaker, excuse me, this is as Senator Luedtke pointed out a very noncontroversial bill. It takes care of the situation brought about by the rising cost of maintenance of automobiles and this particular amendment which is minor serves a purpose of clarification and from this point on, I think the very capable Senator Luedtke will run with the ball.

SPEAKER: Senator Luedtke, do you have any further to say on the amendment?

SENATOR LUEDTKE: No, the amendment merely makes consistent wherein both, we are covering both the county and the state mileage laws here and in one place where it merely states at the rate of and the other place it stated at a rate of not more than. It just strikes the "not more than" so that it does make definitely a rate.

SPEAKER: Senator Duis. You pass? Are you ready for the question on the amendment. The question is shall we adopt the amendment. All those in favor say aye. Those opposed no. The amendment is adopted. Any further amendments, Mr. Clerk. Now, Senator Luedtke, what will you do with the bill?

SENATOR LUEDTKE: Mr. President, I move that LB 338 be advanced to E & R Initial. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, as Senator Chambers indicated this particular bill increases both the county and the state laws relative to mileage from 10¢ to 12¢ a mile. The 10¢ rate was set several years ago and inflation has more than made up the difference and, in fact, I recall I was on the Committee and at the time the 10¢ rate was set and at that time a case was made out for 12¢ a mile and we settled for 10. Now, statistics will show and we had individuals before the Committee who showed that the actual costs of operating a vehicle are more than the 12¢, but, at least, the 12¢ is closer to reality. So, both this bill, there were several bills going to be introduced this session by various members of the Legislature. These were brought together in one bill which